

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An absorbent article, comprising:
a top sheet positioned in a face which is adapted to be
brought into contact with a human body;

5 a back sheet positioned in a face which is opposite to the
top sheet and is adapted to be brought into contact with
underwear; and

an absorbent body interposed between the top sheet and the
back sheet;

10 wherein the back sheet includes a slightly colored area and
a darkly colored area, and

wherein a light transmittance of light transmitted through
the top sheet, the slightly colored area of the back sheet, and
the absorbent body is at least 15%.

2. (Previously Presented) An absorbent article, comprising:

a top sheet positioned in a face which is adapted to be
brought into contact with a human body;

5 a back sheet positioned in a face which is opposite to the
top sheet and is adapted to be brought into contact with
underwear; and

an absorbent body interposed between the top sheet and the
back sheet;

10 wherein the back sheet includes a colored area and a
non-colored area, and

wherein a light transmittance of light transmitted through
the top sheet, the non-colored area of the back sheet, and the
absorbent body is at least 15%.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) The absorbent article according to
claim 1, wherein an identification to identify a front-rear
orientation of the absorbent article is provided in the darkly
colored area.

5. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article according
to claim 2, wherein an identification to identify a front-rear
orientation of the absorbent article is provided in the colored
area.

Claim 6 (Canceled).

7. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article according
to claim 1, wherein the light transmittance is 15% to 80%.

8. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article according
to claim 2, wherein the light transmittance is 15% to 80%.

Claim 9 (Canceled).

10. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article according to claim 1, wherein the light transmittance is 15% to 55%.

11. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article according to claim 2, wherein the light transmittance is 15% to 55%.

Claim 12 (Canceled).

13. (New) The absorbent article according to claim 1, wherein the absorbent article includes a portion in which a light transmittance of light transmitted through the top sheet, the darkly colored area of the back sheet, and the absorbent body is less than 15%.

14. (New) The absorbent article according to claim 2, wherein the absorbent article includes a portion in which a light transmittance of light transmitted through the top sheet, the colored area of the back sheet, and the absorbent body is less than 15%.